

DEPARTMENT FOR WOMEN

MOTTO: "To live and learn and be all that not harms distinctive Womanhood"—Tennyson

A MOMENT WITH THE CONDUCTOR

—JULIETTE LEE.

As we read these lines we are reminded that when the greatest of Negro poets, Dunbar, lived the Negro Press was weak and undeveloped. He had very little encouragement for his songs, and the little press at first and no doubt he felt keenly the lack of appreciation for his poetic genius. But he says—"But still, with faith and love and sing." We are truly glad that he was not submerged by neglect and that he kept singing and has left to us the poetry we so much treasure. His was such a short life, but his splendid tribute to literature and to the capability of his noble negro.

The Negro Press is now beginning for the literary efforts of our young men and women. They are not only offering a "word of praise" but a market compensation and are thus offering an awakening of genius among our people. We have, all the qualifications which make a poet, viz: A wealth of imagination, a joyful disposition and an aroused self-consciousness of subject matter to us women to find and encourage all such unawakened genius. The mothers and women are constantly in closer contact with child life and they must nourish and encourage such tendencies.

For the past four weeks, we have been running in our columns some little poems by Marjorie Jones. These little poems are truly gems and for fear those who do know Miss Jones, might credit her poems to another, I wish to state that Miss Jones is of African strain of the Royal type. She carries a high, high crown, a princess and has a most charming and modest demeanor. At present, she is Professor of Mathematics at the Dallas High School. Mathematics, if you please, a subject which our friends once thought the Negro incapable of assimilating. Miss Jones has made this subject a specialty having studied it in North Western University.

The four little poems which we have published are by Marjorie Jones. They have that quality which first makes any work great, viz: new arrangement of subject matter, what could be more poetic in subject matter than the Rain Bow Duetting? Her thought matter is also and lofty as in "each day" Miss Jones can handle any kind of verse. She does not climb to the heights of poetry with alternating rhyme as most amateurs.

We sincerely trust that she may continue to sing, give us more and greater songs and we will take care that she may never have cause to say:

"There are no ears to hear my lays,
No lips to lift a word of praise."

GOOD TIMES AT SMALL COST

A WOMAN OF INTEREST.

Last year
At Oklahoma City
The capital of the "Boomer State"
In the warm month of July
The State Medical Examinations were in progress.
In the first row with pen in hand and knitted brow
Sat Orela T. Bryant.
Reared in the "Home of the Red Man"
Her diploma bore the golden seal of Meharry.

Three days thus she sat, writing constantly.
Theory well she knew of the science of Dentistry
In practice she was skilled in the science of Surgery.
None save her had black skin.

"Pale Faces" reared in wonderment at Orela's ease.
Then the test was over
And Orela returned to her busy Muskogee.

In the dear, old "Boomer State."
Then came a letter saying she had passed.
With HONORS.

And she was glad!
Just twenty-six years old
The first one of her sex
To make this record in her state.

She laughed and said:
"Dentistry is the only work I have ever done."
That seems to me like play, I love it so.

Hasn't Orela a wonderful future?
We think so.
—Competitor.

THE DIAMOND CHARITY CLUB.
The Diamond Charity Club met with Mrs. Katie King, 2905 Thomas avenue, a splendid program was rendered. Many members answered to roll call the hostess served a two-course menu of Tuna fish, salad garnished with lettuce and cheese with sliced lemons, ice cream and cake. The next meeting will be with Mrs. L. Lewis, 2519 Thomas avenue, May 13th.

work. There is a demand for well trained workers. We look to the colored people to meet this demand.

"Extension work affords reasonable compensation. It is above all, a great training school. Opportunities of many kinds are open to those who make good as agents. If a man has good training but lacks the spirit of service he is not wanted in extension work. Men and women must see possibilities in the people they serve. No community is so prosperous and satisfactory as a good county agent can make out of it."—Wm. Anthony Aery.

Some towns in Texas

WOLFE CITY

Wolfe City, Texas, April 29.—Sunday school was well attended at all churches. Service was conducted at the C. M. E. church both morning and night. The Ebenezer Baptist B. Y. P. U. is thriving under the leadership of Pres. J. B. Gamble. The program rendered by the Y. M. C. A. Sunday night was a decided success. The P. I. S. College Glee Club entertained the people of Wolfe City, Friday night at the Baptist church. Rev. Riley of Greenville was in the city Sunday. Mrs. Eliza Ford, after a prolonged illness was buried at Mt. Zion cemetery Saturday the 17th. Mr. Edw. Clark is indisposed this week. Mr. Boston Ward is still confined to his bed. Mrs. Bertha Scott of Pecan Gap and Miss Dickerson of Paris were in our city Thursday. Miss Iris Woods was in Klondike Sunday. Hon. D. K. L. Knight, G. D. M. of the Knights of Ida Browning of Commerce was in our city Sunday. Mr. Jim Dodd also of Commerce visited in our city Sunday. Mrs. Carrie Hudson was in Commerce last week. Mr. McKinley Woods, Edith Wortham, Alice Clifton, Glasco Gibbons and Miss Iris Woods motored to Klondike Sunday. O. W. McPeters was in Paris Monday. Mr. Cash and sister Anna May are visiting in Fort Worth this week. Mrs. O. K. Knight of Commerce was in our city Saturday. Mr. J. B. Gamble, Acie Flimings, Arthur Ward and Mrs. Rena Nelson were in Greenville Monday. Miss Jebe Lee Thomas of F. I. S. College is here on account of the illness of her grandfather, Mr. Boston Ward. Mr. Sam Clark returned from Hot Springs, Ark. Sunday.

WICHITA FALLS

Wichita Falls, Texas, Apr. 29.—Rev. W. O. Boyd, P. E. of the Tyler district has just closed a very successful revival at Anderson Chapel A. M. E. church with 21 conversions. The rally just closed for Anderson Chapel A. M. E. church netted with following conference: Oklahoma General Conference: Oklahoma, Mr. M. Mass, Mrs. L. L. Walters, \$44.58; Colorado, Mrs. G. N. Norwood \$77.30; New York, Mr. W. Griffin, \$15.66; Rev. J. L. Johnson, \$119.00; Texas, Mrs. J. L. Johnson, \$138.00; Ohio, Mrs. W. Poynter, \$242.02; Totalling, \$682.76—all reports in.

Mr. Oscar Gannon of Dallas is in the city on business for the White Motor Truck Company, in whose employ he has been for 9 years. While here he was the guest of his sister and brother-in-law, Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Johnson. Rev. J. W. Bailey is waging a great battle with sin at St. John Baptist church with much success.

OKMULGEE

Okmulgee, Okla., April 29.—A mass meeting composed of representative colored citizens of the city met at the Dunbar school Wednesday evening at 8:30 p. m. Mr. J. A. Roper, Chairman; Mr. Brooks, Secretary; The purpose of the meeting was stated

CLUB NOTES AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES.

THE PRISCILLA ART CLUB.

The P. A. C.'s met with Miss Hamilton, 3029 State street. A large membership was present. The usual needle work was the order of the day. A charming visitor, in the person of Mrs. Muse of St. Louis, Mo., was present. She is making her home temporarily in Dallas. Her husband, a very talented musician is filling a musical engagement in our city. Mrs. Muse is an engaging reports of similar life as lived in her big city. The hostess served Angel Food cake with pineapple mousse.

A BACKWARD READING LESSON.

Seat the company like a school. Lay a mirror flat on a table and hold child's head open over it. Face second grade open over it. Face down, so that the reflected text is plainly visible. Call the company up, and have them read the text back to read a sentence of this reflected text. Their halting utterances resemble to a child's first attempts at reading. Especially if the leader preserves the decorum of a teacher. Those who do not may be told they are required to read from the other side of the book. The text is both upside down and backward.

Since the season has arrived for the call to the open and the great outdoors will interest our young people. We will for the present discontinue this department. Very few suggestions are needed for the summer, picnics, hayrides and hikes suggest numerous activities. The young need little help so filled are they with the mere joy of living. We will have here instead a Child Welfare space. Trusting that many have been helped and refreshed in the past.

THE LADIES' READING CIRCLE.

The regular meeting of the Ladies' Reading Circle was held at the home of Mrs. J. C. Franier, 1214 Bell St., last Friday. Roll call: "The Peoples of Russia." The magazine lesson, "The Practice of Bolshevism in Russia" by Carlton was conducted by Miss Mamie C. Jones. Discussion from Hazen, (a) "The Turkish War" of 1911, "The Balkan Wars," (b) "The World War," was conducted by Miss P. L. Tyler. Alternate reading, "The Rights of Man" by Roosevelt by members. The circle was furnished by the Victoria.

The hostess served a dainty three-course luncheon.

TESTED RECIPES.

FOR SUNDAY'S DINNER.

Baked Halibut.

Wipe a two-pound slice of halibut. Arrange six or eight slices of fat salt pork in bottom of dripping pan. Place an onion thinly over pork, add a bit of bay leaf and arrange halibut over onion. Spread halibut evenly with butter paste made of four tablespoons butter worked to a cream with tablespoons flour. Season with one-half teaspoon salt and a few grains cayenne. Over butter paste sprinkle thickly buttered cracker crumbs, and arrange alternately strips of pimento and thin slices of bacon over crumbs. Cover slowly one hour in a moderate oven. Remove paper the last fifteen minutes of cooking to brown the crumbs and bacon delicately. Remove to hot serving platter and garnish with shredded potatoes, sliced lemon and parsley.

POTATOES AURORE.

Cut cold boiled potatoes in one-fourth inch cubes. They should be sufficient to fill three cups. Re-heat potatoes in two cups thin white sauce turn in hot serving dish. Remove the shells from four hard-boiled eggs, cut them in halves crosswise and remove the yolks. Arrange rings and arrange rings around edge of potatoes; fill the yolks through a ricer over potatoes. Sprinkle the rings with finely chopped parsley. Serve at once.

CABBAGE RELISH.

Remove the wilted and outside leaves from one small new cabbage, cut off stalk, cut head in quarters, and remove the core. Cut the quarters into medium sized Bermuda onion finely chopped, cover with ice water and let stand until crisp. Drain and mix with relish dressing.

RELISH DRESSING.

Two tablespoons French's Cream Salad Standard, one tablespoon sugar, 5 tablespoons sweet cream or Crisco, 1 tablespoon vinegar, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon celery and paprika, 1 tablespoon of good vinegar or lemon juice. Mix sugar, celery seed and mustard, stir in milk and beat until the desired consistency. Chill and use with cabbage.

COLOR INTERPRETS CHARACTER.

Permit me, as a guide in forming color schemes to draw a familiar example from natural law. I refer to the phenomenon of light, from which the "color keyboard" is derived. You have noticed that light, except in its highest octave of Roentgen rays, cannot penetrate solid objects, and that the soil is always darker than the foliage above it. From the ground up, light divides into ever rare gradations until no man can look the sun in the face. Would it not perfect the costume if we graded its color scheme on this principle—the lower part subdued and modulating into lighter effects as you approach the face.

Color is an important element in dress, because it enables us to read character. We have a wholesome distrust of garish hues and often we hear the comment: "She looks like an actress." Although the majority of our actresses dress smartly and in good taste yet we unconsciously associate an air of sensationalism with stage influences. It is erroneous to assume that we must overdo to attract attention and at what cost to natural beauty do some women overdress. Elaborateness that reaches confusion, distortion of the lines of the figure, bizarre decorations, colors like "sweet bells jangled, out of tune"—these are the penalties.

If you must have ornate materials in gorgeous colorings, see to it that the silhouette remains most simple. And mold the flowered chiffons or fancy fabrics into chemise dresses, simply girdled with the ground color of the material. And to avoid that the wearer of a loud-patterned dress be recognizable by her pattern rather than by her name, respectfully suggest small or subdivided patterns in the material.

—Harry Collins.

MARBLE CAKE.

1-3 cup of Crisco or butter.

1 cup of sugar.

2 eggs.

1-2 cup milk.

1-2 teaspoon cinnamon.

1-2 teaspoon nutmeg.

1-4 teaspoon salt.

2 teaspoons bk. powder.

1 tablespoon molasses.

Yolks of eggs beaten until thick and light, flour sifted with baking powder, alternate with milk. Fold in whites of eggs beaten until stiff. Turn 1-3 of this batter into a bowl lined with paper and grease and spices. Insert in oven, about 350 degrees. Pour into well greased pan. Bake in light and dark mixtures to give the "marbled" appearance. Bake forty to forty-five minutes in a moderate oven.

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So You Won't Have to "Think"

Keep somewhere in your desk a list of things to be put into your suitcase when you are suddenly called away. It will also give you, when packing, to remember just the articles you must have on a short journey.

To Neighbour Burned Matches

There is nothing new in using burned matches, but it is new to save matches and fingers at the same time. Place the burned match near a small pair of pliers. One can thus reach the gas under a boiling pan. The matches will drop out and may be used several times.

Talking-Machine Needles.

My husband discovered that used talking machine needles are fully as convenient as pins or clips for fastening notes and papers together.

Life man spent a few hours in our city (Friday, April 29). He is still telling the people that the "Standard" is a blessing to our race. Prof. Olives is a business man who loves to warn his race for the better.

Mrs. E. A. Mackey entertained the Little Zion Home Mission at her home Thursday April 29th at 4:30 o'clock. Refreshments were served.

Mrs. Eliza Collins departed this life April 24. She was survived by two daughters.

Rev. A. Thomas of Westhoff prayed a prayer that will long be remembered. Quene was very thankful for the rain that was sent Monday.

BLOSSOM.

Blossom Texas, April 29.—Services were not so good on the account of bad weather. Everybody is all smiles because they think oil has been struck.

Mr. McAnthony's daughter left Saturday for points in Oklahoma. Miss Jennie Reynolds made a visit to Paris.

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LITTLE THINGS THAT HELP

—WEEKLY—

LESSON IN CIVICS.

PARTY POLITICIANS THE SAME AS OF OLD.

But the party politician still believes more or less what the "Judge" once said: "The 'womans' vote' (which of course never is captured as a whole any more than the 'labor vote' is), and (2) to find the proper place and inches for women in the party organization. These things clearly show, they think the problem of the woman voter will be solved.

I know an ardent young woman voter, just out of college, full of zeal to use her vote to the full, but quite at a loss to know how.

"The thing to do," said her mother, "is to call on your district leader and tell him you want to be active; put your name on a list, and probably something will come of it. Anyway, that's the only way I know of breaking in."

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